

MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

The theme for 2018 is "Nevertheless She Persisted"

Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

The Royal Neighbors is one such organization. Organized in 1895, when women couldn't vote, own property or own life insurance, nine women founded Royal Neighbors of America empowering women to better their lives through financial protection and opportunities to give back to their communities. Glen Carbon's Royal Neighbors Rose Camp #1555 was charted in March 1899 and remained active until 2010 when it was disbanded.

Commission Member, Paige Maag, has assembled an exhibit honoring women both famous and not so famous. The exhibit will be on display for the month of March through May. Museum hours are 10 to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.



Royal Neighbors Charter Members of Rose Camp #1555, March 25, 1899.

Back row: Mrs. Kubicek, Mrs. Eads, Minnie Kubicek Leitner, Maggie Hawk, Louisa Zimmerman

2nd Row: Josie Roubinek, Lydia Jedlicska, Mrs. Leitner

3rd Row: Annie Bouse, Anna Schon; Sitting: Emma Primas, Mary Werner

Notice the badges the ladies are wearing. Some are on display at the Heritage Museum.